(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Indian Airlines has temporarily suspended its service to Allahabad because of operational constraints.

Development of Allahabad as Tourist Centre

67. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to bring Allahabad on the tourist map of the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the tourist spots proposed to be developed there?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government. However, the Central Government provides financial assistance to the State Governments in respect of specific proposals received from them. Ministry of Tourism has extended financial assistance for construction of a Yatri Niwas and renovation of Nehru Ghats for development of tourism at Allahabad.

Fall in the profits of ONGC

68. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ONGC profits are likely to fall by Rs. 700 crores in 1990-91 as per the news item appearing in the 'Business Times (Times of India) of the 15th June, 1991;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such a fall in profits has occurred though ONGC will not be paying corporate tax for 1990-91 as it did in 1989-90; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what steps Government propose to take so that the ONGC starts earning profits again as in the previous years.

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) The profit after tax of ONGC in 1990-91 was Rs. 1048 crores against Rs. 1624 crores in 1989-90. This was mainly on account of higher exchange loss, cost of dry wells written off, depreciation depletion and operational expenditure.

During the year 1990-91 ONGC had made a provision of Rs. 51 crores in its budget for the payment of Corporate Tax.

Crash of a Delhi Flying Club aircraft

69. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether a two seater Cessna 152 aircraft of the Delhi Flying Club crashed recently on the Safdarjung flyover in New Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is the outcome of the inquiry conducted into the mishap;

(c) what is the number of mishaps that took place from this airport during the period from 1989 to 1991 and the causes therefor;

(d) whether Government have considered the question regarding unsuitability of the flying club at the present site; and

(e) if so, what steps are contemplated by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.